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**Request  
For  
Continued Examination (RCE)  
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Application Number	09/624,810
Filing Date	07/24/2000
First Named Inventor	Robert W. Bruce, et al
Art Unit	1763
Examiner Name	Rudy Zervigon
Attorney Docket Number	13DV-13228

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**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

**1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114**

a. ☒ Previously submitted

i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Rely Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☐ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)

iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Fees**

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to

a. ☒ Deposit Account No. 07-0865

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

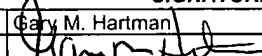
iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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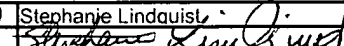
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**FEE TRANSMITTAL**  
**for FY 2002**

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**Complete if Known**

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**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT**(\$)**850.00****RECEIVED****METHOD OF PAYMENT**

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- ☒
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- Charge Any Additional Fee Required
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- Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

- ☐
- Applicant claims small entity status.
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- See 37 CFR 1.27

- 2.
- ☐
- Payment Enclosed:**

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- ☐
- Money
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- Order
- ☐
- Other

**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Fee Fee Fee  
Code (\$) Code (\$) Fee Description

101	740	201	370	Utility filing fee
106	330	206	165	Design filing fee
107	510	207	255	Plant filing fee
108	740	208	370	Reissue filing fee
114	160	214	80	Provisional filing fee

**Fee Paid****SUBTOTAL (1)** (\$)**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

Total Claims		-20** =		X	Fee from below	=	Fee Paid
Independent Claims		-3** =		X		=	
Multiple Dependent						=	

Large Entity Small Entity

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Code (\$) Code (\$) Fee Description

103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	84	209	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

**SUBTOTAL (2)** (\$)

\*\*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

**FEE CALCULATION (continued)****JUN 10 2003****3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee Code	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	110.
116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within second month	
117	920	217	460	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,440	218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,960	228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	740	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	740.
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

\*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

**SUBTOTAL (3)** (\$)**850.00****SUBMITTED BY**

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